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## Remarks

Claims 1 through 24 remain pending in the application. Claims 25 through 44 are withdrawn.

## Election/Restriction

The present application is subject to a restiction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121. The Applicant elects claims 1 through 24 in Group 1 drawn to a Thermal Cautery System.

## Conclusion

This response has addressed all of the Examiner's grounds for rejection. Reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of the claims is requested.

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